Lauds Propers

Wednesday Week I

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Invitatory Psalm Antiphon

Today if you hear the voice of the Lord, harden not your *hearts.*

First Psalm

Psalm 36

The malice of sinners and God's goodness

No follower of mine wanders in the dark; he shall have the light of life (John 8:12)

Cantor: O Lord, in your light we see light it*self.*

East Choir:
Sin speaks to the **sin**ner *
in the depths of his *heart.*
There is no fear **of** God *
before his *eyes.*
O Lord, in your light we see light it*self.*

West Choir:
He so flatters himself in **his** mind *
that he knows not his *guilt.*
In his mouth are mischief and **de**ceit. *
All wisdom is *gone.*
O Lord, in your light we see light it*self.*

East Choir:
He plots the defeat of **good**ness *
as he lies on his *bed.*
He has set his foot on e**vil** ways, *
he clings to what is e*vil.*
O Lord, in your light we see light it*self.*

West Choir:
Your love, Lord, reaches to **hea**ven; *
your truth to the *skies.*
Your justice is like God's **moun**tain, *
your judgments like the *deep.*
O Lord, in your light we see light it*self.*

East Choir:
To both man and beast you give pro**tec**tion. *
O Lord, how precious is your *love.*
My God, the sons **of** men *
find refuge in the shelter of your *wings.*
O Lord, in your light we see light it*self.*

West Choir:
They feast on the riches of **your** house; *
they drink from the stream of your de*light.*
In you is the source **of** life *
and in your light we see *light.*
O Lord, in your light we see light it*self.*

East Choir:
Keep on loving those who **know** you, *
doing justice for upright *hearts.*
Let the foot of the proud not **crush** me *
nor the hand of the wicked cast me *out.*
O Lord, in your light we see light it*self.*

West Choir: See how the evil-do**ers** fall! *
Flung down, they shall never a*rise.*

Full Choir: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy **Spi**rit, *
(profound bow) as it was in the beginning is now,
and ever shall be world without end. A*men.*

Cantor: Lord, you are the source of unfailing light. Give us true knowledge of your mercy so that we may renounce our pride and be filled with the riches of your house.

Full Choir: O Lord, in your light we see light it*self.*

Canticle

Judith 16

God who created the world takes care of his people

They were singing a new song (Revelation 5:9)

Cantor: O God, you are great and glorious; we marvel at your po*wer.*

East Choir: Strike up the ins**tru**ments, *
a song to my God with timbrels
chant to the Lord with cym*bals.*
Sing to him a **new** song, *
exalt and acclaim his *name.*

West Choir: A new hymn I will sing to **my** God. *
O Lord, great are you and glorious,
wonderful in power and unsurpassa*ble.*

East Choir: Let your every creature **serve** you; *
for you spoke, and they were *made,*
you sent forth your spirit, and they were cre**a**ted; *
no one can resist your *word.*

West Choir: The mountains to their bases, and the seas, are **sha**ken; *
the rocks, like wax, melt before your *glance.*
But to those who **fear** you, *
you are very merci*ful.*

Full Choir: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy **Spi**rit, *
(profound bow) as it was in the beginning is now,
and ever shall be world without end. A*men.*

Full Choir: O God, you are great and glorious; we marvel at your po*wer.*

Second Psalm

Psalm 47

The Lord Jesus is King of all

He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and his kingdom will have no end.

Cantor: Exult in God's presence with hymns of *praise.*

East Choir: All peoples, clap **your** hands, *
cry to God with shouts of *joy!*
For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear, *
great king over all the *earth.*
Exult in God's presence with hymns of *praise.*

West Choir: He subdues peoples un**der** us *
and nations under our *feet.*
Our inheritance, our glory, is from him, *
given to Jacob out of *love.*
Exult in God's presence with hymns of *praise.*

East Choir: God goes up with shouts **of** joy; *
the Lord goes up with trumpet *blast.*
Sing praise for God, **sing** praise, *
sing praise to our king, sing *praise.*
Exult in God's presence with hymns of *praise.*

West Choir: God is king of all **the** earth. *
Sing praise with all your *skill.*
God is king over the **na**tions; *
God reigns on his holy *throne.*
Exult in God's presence with hymns of *praise.*

East Choir: The princes of the peoples are as**sem**bled *
with the people of Abraham's *God.*
The rulers of the earth belong **to** God, *
to God who reigns over *all.*

Full Choir: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy **Spi**rit, *
(profound bow) as it was in the beginning is now,
and ever shall be world without end. A*men.*

Cantor: God, King of all peoples and all ages, it is your victory we celebrate as we sing with all the skill at our command. Help us always to overcome evil by good, that we may rejoice in your triumph for ever.

Full Choir: Exult in God's presence with hymns of *praise.*

Reading

Isaiah 50:4b-7

Lector: The Lord God opens my ear that I may hear; and I have not rebelled, have not turned back. I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard: My face I did not shield from buffets and spitting. The Lord God is my help, therefore I am not disgraced; I have set my face like flint, knowing that I shall not be put to shame.

(Silent Reflection)

Responsory

Lector: God himself will set me free, from the hunter's snare.
Full Choir: *God himself will set me free, from the hunter's snare.*
Lector: From those who would trap me with lying words
Full Choir: *-and from the hunter's snare.*
Lector: (all: profound bow) Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
Full Choir: *God himself will set me free, from the hunter's snare.*

Benedictus Antiphon

If you are faithful to my teaching, says the Lord, you will indeed be my di**sci**ples. *
You will know the truth and the truth will make you *free.*

Intercessions

Lector: Blessed be God, the giver of salvation, who decreed that mankind should become a new creation in himself, when all would be made new. With great confidence let us ask him:
Full Choir: *Lord, renew us in your Spirit.*
Lector: Lord, you promised a new heaven and a new earth; renew us daily through your Spirit, that we may enjoy your presence for ever in the heavenly Jerusalem.
Full Choir: *Lord, renew us in your Spirit.*
Lector: Help us to work with you to make this world alive with your Spirit, and to build on earth a city of justice, love, and peace.
Full Choir: *Lord, renew us in your Spirit.*
Lector: Free us from all negligence and sloth, and give us the joy in your gifts of grace.
Full Choir: *Lord, renew us in your Spirit.*
Lector: Deliver us from evil, and from slavery to the senses, which blinds us to goodness.
Full Choir: *Lord, renew us in your Spirit.*

Prayer

Father of mercy, hear the prayers of your repentant children who call on you in love. Enlighten our minds and sancify our hearts. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.